

Dear Senator Paul Formica, Senator Catherine Osten & Representative Toni Walker,
Chairs:

I oppose the cuts in H.B. 7027 which call for eliminating the CEQ. Its very small budget of \$174,000 surely accomplishes more in benefits to the state than this amount. Also, the budget in the Community Investments Act to PURCHASE OPEN SPACE and other environmentally-important areas to be preserved is a CRITICAL activity for the state to undertake, now and in the future!

As a lifelong environmentalist and Connecticut resident--and taxpayer--I firmly believe funding for activities that benefit THE ENVIRONMENT are and should be A PRIORITY!

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Nan Zyla